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## Excavator Beware

Dig safely around natural gas lines

### Call 811 before you dig or pave.

Whether you operate heavy equipment or use handheld tools, when you dig, you risk contacting natural gas pipelines. Use these tips to stay safe:

- **Notify 811 at least two days in advance** of digging, paving or moving earth in any way – even for small jobs.
- **Respect the locate marks** and follow them when digging.
- **Dig with care** in the vicinity of underground natural gas pipelines.
- **If you find an unmarked or mismarked line**, stop digging and notify **811**.
- **Report any suspicious activity near a natural gas pipeline marker.**
- **Don't rely on your nose alone.** Be alert for the many warning signs of a natural gas leak.
- **Know what to do** if your equipment contacts a natural gas pipeline.

To report a gas emergency for Long Island and the Rockaways, call **911** and National Grid at **1-800-490-0045** immediately.

For additional safety information and materials, visit [ngridssafety.com](https://ngridssafety.com) and connect with us on



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**811** before you dig.